part of the Senate to reach the point of final action before next Sunday some negotiations had taken place between the Mexican Minister and the representatives of the United States looking to an extension of time, and that an affirmative understanding has been reached. The opinion prevails, however, that the action of to-day is final; that the vote to extend the time for consideration has no validity, inasmuch as it requires the concurrence of the Mexican Government, and that the motion to reconsider must be ionperative for the reason that the Senate will not again be in session until the time for ratification, socording to the terms of the original treaty has expired.

The following is believed to be a correct statement of the vote in detail:

Yeas—Bayard, Beck, Binir, Bowen, Cameron of Wisconsin, Cockrell, Coke, Colquitt, Cullom, Dawes, Dolph, Edmunds, Frye, Garland, Georre, Harris, Harrison, Hill, Hear, Ingalis, Jackson, Joses of Nevada, Lapham, Logan, McMillan, McPherson, Manderson, Maxey, Miller of California, Miller of New-York, Morgan, Pondieton, Plumb, Pugh, Saulsbury, Sawyer, Slater, Vest, Wilson—39.

Nauge—Aldrich, Brown, Butler, Call, Conger, Gibson, Hale, Hawkey, Jones of Florida, Kenna, Mahone, Mitchell, Morrill, Palmer, Pike, Platt, Riddleberger, Vance, Van Wyck—20.

MR. BREWSTER COURTS AN INQUIRY. WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- The Star prints the following: "It is rather unjust to intimate that the frauds and irregularities which Mr. Springer's committee has been investigating are in the Department of Justice," said the Attorney General to a Star reporter. "On the contrary, these irregularities in the accounts of United States Marshals were uncarthed by the Department of Justice, through Brewster Cameron. The number and extent of them naturally appalled the committee, and led them to think that if the investigation was pursued now there would be no time during the session for other branches. If there is or has been any wrongdoing in this Department, I am entirely ignorant of it. I, therefore, court the most thorough investigation, I want all the witnesses summoned and all papers examined, in order that if there is any crookedness here it may be made public. I know what the result will be. It will be a most complete water haul. When I took this office I intended to do my duty, and I feel that I have succeeded. Surely to unearth and rectify irregularities in the offices of United States Marshals cannot be classed as a breach of

duty."
"Will Mr. Springer summon you before the committee?"
the reporter asked. "Will Mr. springer successful and the reporter asked.

"Of course he will. If he does not, I will make a complaint. I intend to be a witness in my own defence."
There is a great deal of talk about the expenses of the special attorneys in the Star Route trials," suggested the

ex. They talk about the large amounts paid to Mr Figs. They talk about the large amounts paid to Mr. Bliss. That contieman was engaged to prosecute the case before I came into this office, and his compensation was fixed by my predecessor. What would have been the result had I determined not to pay bim the amount promised I. He would have dropped the case, and a crywould have gone through the land that the Attorney-General is in league with the Star Ronters, for he dismisses the only man who is able to get a conviction because of his knowledge of the whole thing from beginning to end. You see I would have to be fired at either way. As I say, if there is any wrong in this Department, in tearch?

OPPOSING IMMEDIATE RETALIATION. Washington, Jan. 18.-The House Committee on Commerce discussed for two hours to-day the proposed measures of retaliation against the prohibition of American hog products by France and Germany. The sub-committee, consisting of Messrs. Clardy, Long and Davis, appointed to consider this subject, reported favorably, with several amendments, the joint resolution of ably, with several amendments, the joint the President in his discretion to prohibit the importation of goods reported by experts to be injurious, when foreign countries prohibit the importation of American goods said to be deleterious to health. Messrs. Reagan, Dunn and Stewart expressed themselves as being opposed to any action in the absence of a communication on the subject from the Secretary of State. Messrs. Long, Clardy, Davis of Hilmots, Turner of Kentucky, and Peters favored immediate action. Mr. Clardy said that all the information necessary had been given by the Secretary of State in a former report. A proposition was made to adopt the original resolution of Mr. Townshend, but it was lost by a vote of three to ten. It is believed by a number of the members favorable to the amended resolution that it could have been adopted, but they are anxious to have a united committee, so that the measure, when reported to the House, will not be autagouted by members of the committee. A vote on the report of the committee was postponed to Tuesday next. When an effort will be made to introduce such amendations as will secure the unanimous support of the committee. Townshend. The resolution authorizes the President

THE OREGON CENTRAL LAND GRANT. Washington, Jan. 18 .- Ex-Senator Mitchell continued his argument to-day before the House Commiton Public Lands against the forfeiture of the Oregon Central land grant. Mr. Charles H. Tweed and Mr. C. P. Huntington next appeared before the committee in be-half of the rights of the California and Oregon Rallroad Company under the land grant act of 1866, and the amendatory acts of 1868 and 1869 in aid of the construction of the railroad from the Central Pacific line northward to Portland, Oregon.

Mr. Tweed said the Government's purpose in the legislation referred to was to connect by rall the important cities of California with those of Oregon, and that the in-stramentalities by which the Government and people were to reap the desired advantages were the California and Oregon Company in California and the Oregon and California Company in Oregon. They were to meet at the boundary line. The Oregon Company had reached Rosebury com ing south when it failed (in 1878) and was atterly un able to proceed for want of funds, with no reasonable ope that further construction would be continued. The California Company had reached Reading going north when the sister road, which was absolutely necessary to make the line valuable, or of any utility to the public, broke flown. The California Company secondingly closed its operations until 1880, when the emberrassments of the Oregon Company were relieved; whereupon the California Company immediately re-sumed work; has ever since pushed it vigorously by employing thousands of men, and expects to make through rall connection to Portland during the present year.

Mr. Huntington, in his address to the committee, said he should not endeavor to touch upon the legal question, but had something almost personal to say to them about his associates and himself. Said he "We have always built as the law required us to build, and this is the first consideration we have asked in the way of extension of time. We think we are entitled to more from the Government than other classes of people, for there has been no conservator of the public peace and prosperity, in the largest sense of the word, like the railroads. We ourselves were the first people that commenced the Central Pacific. When that bill passed it was considered a great thing to do and we did it, notwithstanding the fact that people said it would break us. When we commenced to build rails were \$38 a ton, and they went to \$125 before we were through buying. But we asked no more from the Government on that account. Before the war \$6, \$7, \$8 or \$10 was about the minimum rate for ship tonnage around Cape Horn. We paid \$34. Instead of \$2\frac{1}{2}\$ per cent for insurance around the Cape at the time the act passed we paid as high as 17 per cent. We did not ask the Government for additional aid. We paid \$32,500 for locomotives in war times that could have been bought previously for for \$9,000. We crossed the Sterra Nevada against the predictions and advice of all our friends because we stood by the work honesity and manfully and caref for the interests we had in our charge. We indicreed the paper of Central Pacific when it had no credit and we personally had. We finished this work in the time required by law. I mention these things to show that we have worked hard and honestly, asking no favors, but accomplishing what depended on ourselves, and in the present case we were stopped from carrying out our purposes through no frailroad from the Contral Pacific when the Contral Pacific line northward at tramendous cost and effort. We were on our way through the boundary and proposed to go right up there, but when the other huk failed of completion, we knew there was no local interest to compensate us, and a road to the State line as a terrain-sould yield no return. We stopped me dwated. When the sister company was able to go to work have always built as the law required to build, and this is the first consideration en away from us. Some political reasons may exist, if so, they are reasons that I have no interest in or in-soce over."

THE EXAMINATION OF TEAS.

Washington, Jan. 18.-Secretary Folger has sent to the Speaker of the House a letter with regard to certain amendments which he thinks should be made in the bill passed last March to prevent the importation of adulterated and spurious teas. "The act in question," he says, " has worked a great public benefit by the exclusion of worthless stiff heretofore imported and sold as tea, but there are some amendments necessary to render the act effective." The Secretary then recommends the appointment of special examiners, so that all teas im-ported may be examined, and suggests certain minor amendment.

MEETING OF STEAMBOAT INSPECTORS. Washington, Jan. 18 .- At the session of the Board of Supervising Inspectors of Steam Vessels to-day, Mr. Starbuck, from the Committee on Boilers and Machinery, submitted a report approving the proposition referred to the committee yesterday, providing "that plates of iron or steel used in the construction of shells of ollers extending beyond the cylindrical shell to the front boilers over the furnace shall extend at least twelve ones below the centre of the shell and shall not be of se tensile strength in thickness than the adjoining sheet the cylindrical portion of the shell."

THE CHALMERS-MANNING CASE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- The chairman of the House Committee on Elections was instructed to-day to report to the House on Monday the result of the considpration of the prima facts evidence of the Chalmers-Man ping case. The report is that neither is entitled to a seat on the prime face right. The case will be considered on its merits next week.

WORK OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEES. Washington, Jan. 18.—Secretaries Lincoln

expedition. The recommendations of the President, sent to the House yesterday, having falled to reach the Committee, consideration of the subject was postponed until Monday. The question of rebate on tobacco tax was taken up, but owing to lack of time final consideration was postpened. It is estimated that an appropriation of \$3,750,000 will be required to settle the rebate

Messrs. Thomas and Morse were appointed by the Com mittee on Naval Affairs to draft a bill providing for the sale of the Naval Hospitals at Chelsea, Mass., Brooklyn, Philadelphia and Mare Island, and for the erection of General Hospital at Norfolk.

Mr. Benton McMillo, chairman of the House Committee on Claims, to-day distributed 300 bills to sub-committees These bills are from one to 100 years old, and involve claims for from \$100 to nearly \$1,000,000. The claim of the captain of the vessel Meteor for \$25,000 was adversely acted upon by the committee. In 1853 the Inde pendent, a vessel owned by Cornelius Vanderbilt, was wrecked in the Bay of Magdallne and several hundred passengers were cast adrift on the Island of Margarrita, off the coast of California. The Meteor took the passer gers to the port of San Francisco, and the claim is made against the Government for the care of the passengers The committee agreed to recommend to the House that the claim of the owners and officers of the brig Olive the claim of the owners and officers of the orig Ouve Frances, of Machiasport, Me., for damages sustained by collision with the United States gunboat Winoski in 1866, be referred to the Court of Claims for adjudication. The House Committee on private land claims to-day manimously agreed to report tavorably the bill of Rep-resentative Robinson, of New-York, for the relief of Myra Clark Gaines. The bill provides for the issue of patents to Mrs. Gaines for 38,457 acres of land, on ac-count of grants made by Spain to John Lynn and Thomas Usonhart.

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The sub-committee of the House Committee on Agriculture having under consideration the diseases of domestic nalmals to-day further diseased the subject of pleuropaestmonia. No report will be made to the full committee antil after the Commissioner of Agriculture's report on the subject is received.

The House Committee on Military Affairs to-day instructed Mr. Lyman to prepare and report to the committee a full providing for the retirement of all non-commissioned officers who have served in the Army for more han thirty years.

CONFIRMATIONS BY THE SENATE. Washington, Jan. 18 .- The Senate in execuive session to-day confirmed the following nomination Isaac M. Boardman to be Collector of Customs for the Biaurict of Belfast, Mc. Thomas Ireiand, of Maryland, to se Collector of Customs for the district of Annapolis. Richard Lambert, of California, to be Consul at San ilas, Mexico.

Blas, Mexico.

Reuben A. Allen, of Ohio, to be Indian agent at Black-feet Agency, Montana.

Commodores Robert W. Shufeldt, Alexander C. Rhind and Thomas Pattison to be rear admirals.

Assistant Engineer S. Isaac M. Reeves to be passed assistant Engineer. sistant engineer.
Chief Engineer Charles H. Loring to be Chief of the
Bureau of Steam Engineering at the Navy Department.
Captains Thomas S. Fillebrown and John H. Russell to

auders Byron Wilson, F. M. Bunce and Frederick Commanders Byron whom, F. A. Danie, W. McNair to be captains.
Lieutenant-Commanders Dennis W. Mullan, George T. Davis, George D. B. Glüdden, N. Mayo Dyer and Francis M. Green to be commanders.

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Lieutenants William H. Webb, Zers L. Tanner, William Weich, Samuel Bilden, Eugene W. Watson and John S. Merry to be lieutenant commanders.

Masters William P. Clauson, J. C. Burnette and Samuel Scabury, to be lieutenants.

Lieutenants (Junior Grade) William C. Babcock, Henry Barroll, Charles D. Galloway, Frederick H. Lefavor, Charles A. Foster, William E. Sewell, Henry McCrea and Edward F. Qualtrough, to be lieutenants.

Ensigus Edward D. Bostwick, Henry J. Hunt, George M. Stoney, Frederick W. Coffin, Harry M. Hodges, William B. Caperton, James T. Smith, Rüdgey Hunt and Robort M. Doyle, to be lieutenants—(Junior Grade).

Ensigus (Junior Grade), Priton B. Ribb, John E. McDonnell, George R. Clark, George H. Stafford, William C. Caufield, Allen G. Rogers and Harry Kimmell, to be ensigns of the Junior Grade and three to be assistant engineers in Navy.

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Chief Engineer Charles H. Loring, United States Navy. the was confirmed as Chief of the Bureau of Steam En gineering yesterday, is promoted to the rank of comme iore, the highest rank attainable by staff officers under the present law. Commodore Loring succeeds Commo dore William H. Shock, who has been placed on the retired list on account of age. Commodore Loring will be ceeded as Chief of the Engineering Bureau at the New-York Navy Yard by Chief Engineer George Sewell.

Engineer-in-Chief Loring was appointed as Third As-Eugineer-in-Chief Loring was appointed as Third Assistant Engineer, from Massachusetts, in February, 1851; was promoted to Second Assistant May 21, 1853; First Assistant in 1857; and Chief Engineer March 25, 1861. He was acting Chief of Boreau in 1872 during the absence in Europe of Commodore King, and from May 1, 1877, to January 12, 1880, he was fleet engineer of the North Atlantic Squadron. From March 21, 1861, until 1863 he was the chief engineer of the Minnesota, flagship of the North Atlantic Squadron, and was at the capture of Forts Hatteras and Clarke. During the latter part of the war he was on special duty in Cincinnati, and since then has been actively employed adout and on shore. He has been at the New-York Navy Yard since February 20, 1880.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF. WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- A number of peti ions were presented in the Senate to-day.

Mr. Miller, of California, from the Committee on For eign Relations, reported back favorably the bill relating to the execution of the supplemental commercial treaty of November, 1880, between the United States and China November, 1880, between the United states from China portsition of opinm into the the United States from China and its exportation from the United States to China.] It was read and placed on the calendar.

The Herican Treaty was rejected by a vote of 20 to 38.

At 4:35 the Senate adjourned until Monday.

THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES. Washington, Jan. 18.-The general court partial convened at Columbus Barracks, Ohto, by special orders, October 12, 1883, and the general court martial orders, October 12, 1883, have been dissolved. This order to take effect upon the completion of any case that may be before the court at the time of its receipt.

Leave of absence for four months, to take effect when his services can be spared by his post commander, has been granted Second Lieutenant Frank P. Avery, 3d Infantry.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 18, 1884.
The Commissioners to the World's Fair.—The Pro-THE COMMISSIONERS TO THE WORLD'S FAR.—THE TEXT OF THE COMMISSIONERS TO THE WORLD'S FAR.—THE TEXT OF THE STATE EXPORTS OF PROVISIONS AND TALLOW.—The value of

the provisions, tallow and dairy products for the year ended December 31, 1883, was \$114,228,956 as against \$506,934,423 for the provings year.

AN ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT.—All the members were present at the Cabinet meeting to-day. One of the questions considered was the selection of a United States Attorney for the District of Coumbia. A nomination to that office will be made to-morrow, providing the Senate

RATIONS IN THE NAVY .- The Naval Board on Ration

has addressed a circular letter to the officers commanding the different squadrons for an expression of their views on the subject of rations in the Navy. REPORT OF THE PAOTEUS COURT OF INQUIRY .- The Sec

retary of War has received the report of the Proteins Court of Inquiry, but it will not be made public for several days. General Hazen, Licutenani Cagiare and Lieutenant Gar-lington feel confident that the report will exonerate them from all blame in the matter. A FORESTRY EXHIBITION IN SCOTLAND.-Arrangements are being made for an international Forestry Exhibition to be held in Leith, Scotland, next July, under the patron age of the Queen and a large number of noblemen and ovice officials.

A DINNER TO MADAME NILSSON.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 17 .- George W. Childs his wife entertained Madame Nilsson to-night at a dinner at the Hotel Bellevue. Covers were laid for forty guests who were scated at a large oval table, the well in the centre of which was filled with flowers. The ladies were handsomely dressed and each one was pre-sented with a bouquet of rosebuds and favors in the shape of delicate china baskets. Among those present were William Henry Rawie, George Boker and wife, Mrs. Jungerich, John West, Mr., Raymond, Edward Roberts and wife, N. Josephs, of Loudon; Mr. and Mrs. Warren, of New-York; Mile Vallejo, Miss Stasiley, S. W. Michell, M. D., George D. Krumbhaar and wife, Thomas McKean and wife, Dr. Samuel Gross, Count and Countess Galli, J. B. Lippincott and wife, C. H. Krumbhaar, Miss Patterson, Alfred Tucker and wife, and A. J. Drexel.

A METHODIST CENTENNIAL PROGRAMME

TROY, Jan. 17 .- The Centennial Committee of the Troy Methodist Conference here have prepared for the meeting of the Conference in Gloversville, in April. The programme embraces a centennial sermon by the Rev. Dr. Graham, of Gloversville; an address on general centennial topics by Bishop Andrews; remarks on "Col-lege Education" by Professor Wells, of Union College, and an address to the superannuates by the Rev. Dr. Grillin. The educational offerings will be divided between the Syracuse University and the Conference Academy. It has been decided by the committee to recommend the raising of \$150,000 in honor of the centennial year.

THE LYKENS VALLEY VEIN STRUCK.

MOUNT CARMEL, Penn., Jan. 17 .- At noon today the Lykens Valley vein was struck at Bellmoore colliery. The tunnel driven is 200 yards in length and cost \$12,000. Large sums of money have been expended at the different collectes in this district in searching for this valuable deposit, but until to-day all efforts proved inef-fectual.

EARTHQUAKE IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE. CONTOCCOOK, N. H., Jan. 18 .- A sharp and violent earthquake shock occurred here about 2 o'clock this morning. Many people were awakened and things and Chandler appeared before the House Committee on Appropriations again to-day in behalf of a Greely relief out this region.

NEWS FROM STATE CENTRES.

SYRACUSE.

PROSPEROUS UNIVERSITIES-DISCHARGED CONDUCTORS .- SOCIAL GAYETIES.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

SYRACUSE, Jan. 18 .- The semi-annual meeting of the trustees of the Syracuse University on Wednes day was presided over by President Root, of Buffalo. The report of Chancellor Sime showed 392 students in attendance, the largest number in the history of the University It is expected that considerable sums will be added to the endowment during the year, which is thecentennial of the Methodist Episcopal Church. By vote, the Chancellor was requested to devote his time as far as possible to the outside interests of the University during the year. financial report shows large sams subscribed for endowment within the last three months, and a material increas in the receipts for current expenses.

Some of the contractors in this city, who are creditors of the North River Construction Company, have engaged the legal services of Judge George F. Comstock. Ryan & McDonald suffer to the extent of \$400,000 by the failure of the Construction Company.

The winter term of Cornell University opens encourage ingly. President Andrew D. White announces that there are sixty-six more students in the University this year than last, and that the number which is always added at the beginning of the winter term will pred- an increase of at least seventy.

The fall of snow throughout central and northern New York is unprecedented; on Wednesday the thermo n some portions of Onondaga County stood 40 below

Conductors Richard Heath, Nathan G. Lower and John l'oner, all running passenger trains on the Eastern div don of the New-York Central Railroad, have been asked to deliver their punches and other property belonging to the company to the superintendent of their division, which means that their services are no longer required; and it is understood that one or two more missals are to follow. Messrs, Heath and Toner have been running passenger trains for the past ten years, and Mr. Lower for the past two years. The discharged con inctors received the customary blue envelopes, signify that a discharge with no explanations is con.

The new St. Mary's Catholic Church in Syracuse is ag preaching completion, and, when finished, will be the finest church in the State west of New-York City. The op of the spire will be two hundred and twenty-five feet from the ground. The pastor, the Rev. Dr. O'Hara ecently visited Montreal, where he inspected the prominent churches, and states that he saw none that excelled

John Barber Burnett, of this city, has generously of fered to give a hundred acres of land to the village of reddes, which adjoins this city, provided the village will mite with the city. Mr. Burnett's land occupies a com manding site overlooking the city and the lake, and is ainabis.

Howard Ganson White, son-in-law of Senator Philetu. Sawyer, and Hamilton 8. White, wife and daughter left Syracuse Thursday for Washington, where left Syracuse Thursday for Washington, where they will remain some time. Mrs. George Barnes gave a german to-night in honor of her daughter. Mrs. Frank H. Hiscock. Captain Robert Townsend led with Mrs. Hiscock. On the evening of February 22 the Centuary Club of Syracuse will hold a reception which promises to be the most brilliant affair of the season. This is the leading club of Syracuse. Thursday evening a reception was given by Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Dissell, at their beautiful home on James-st. The reception, which lasted from 8 to 11, was largely attended by the prominent people of the city. At Chase's Music Hall, Wednesday ovening, the third of the young men's parties was given, and was fully as enjoyable as those preceding. Mrs. W. W. Cox, Mrs. F. B. Klock, and Mrs. S. B. Larned were the reception committee. Among the ladies present from out of town were Miss Keily, of Chicago, and Miss Meintosh, of Cayuga.

UTICA.

ROWELL'S TRIAL-CITY POLITICS-ARNOLD AND EMERSON.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

UTICA. Jan. 18 .- The principal subject of conersation in Utica is the approaching trial of E. Newer Rowell, which takes place at Batavia next week. Howell is indicted for manslaughter in the first degree r killing Johnson L. Lynch, a prominent lawyer of Utiea. Both of them are Utica people. The defence will probably be temporary insanity. Many people from Utica have been summoned as witnesses, and the efence will be elaborate and expensive. Rowell's rouse in Batavia has been sold, and his father in Utica iso has come to his assistance.

Local politicians have begun active work for the city Doolittle, Democrat, says he is not a candidate for re-election; but his friends insist that he will be when the proper time comes. In the spring of 1882 Mayor Doollitle was the Democratic candidate. A citizens' evement was inaugurated, and the independent candi date elected. Last spring the citizens' movement died, and Mr. Doelittle won. Effort is being made now to revive independence of action in city elections. It comes mainly from Democratic sources, among those opposed to Mayor Declittle. The idea is to support the Republican nominee, if he is considered a suitable one otherwise to nominate an Independent Democrat. paper with that object in view is now being quietly dreulated. City Judge Bulger is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for that office. He has plain sailing in his party, and undoubtedly will be elected. The Republicans yet talk of no candidates. Several names are mentioned but there is no concentrated action. John Brandegee has been prominently name as an opponent to Buiger. A strong effort will be made to return a Republican Board of Aldermen.

Arrangements are about completed with the unpu erred creditore of John E. Buckley & Co. to accept 50 ents on a dojiar, and aloow the firm to resume busines Before this, a paper had been circulated among business nen expressing sympathy for the firm, and arging the editors to make some compromise, so that the busines sould be continued. This was very generally signed.

Calvary Church was consecrated by Rishop Hunting on to-day. The attendance of clergy was large, and church was filled with people. The Rev. Dr. Good ch has been paster for twenty-five years. The present nurch building is of stone, and has been occupied since nurch children is of the church has only been recently quidated. It is one of the most pleasant and popula hurches of the city.

The Utica Citizens Corps will give a military ball at the armory next week. The corps will parade February 22, and have the same kind of an entertainment in the evening. This year it is expected to give a grand military ball, which will be one of the great social affairs of the season. Military companies from other cities

The lecture of Matthew Arnold in this city Thursday evening created much of a stir in intellectual circles. Its subject was Emerson, and its substance has already been printed in Tite Tailinine. As Emerson has many warm admirers and critical readers in this city, Mr. Arnoid's estimate was not altogether pleasing to his hearers; and the topic has been much discussed since he appeared at the Opera House. At the close of the lecture he was given a general reception by the Fort Schuyler Club.

By request of several prominent tow-nmen, Charles D. B. Mills of Syracuse, a leading lecturer, will speak in the Common Council rooms upon "timerson" next we hereaday evening futerest is felt in the different views which he may entertainin from those of the sminent English critic.

The annual election of officers of the Fort Schuyler Club occurred Saturday evening. Ex-Governor Horatio Seymour was chosen president, Ellis H. Roberts vice-president; William Townsend secretary; and Charles A. Symonds treasurer.

ALBANY.

THE WEST SHORE ROAD-TEMPERANCE RE-FORM-POLITICS.

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

ALBANY, Jan. 18 .- It is stated here on high authority that on February 1 all the engineering corps of the West Shore road will be dismissed, to make way for s new corps.

A conference of prominent citizens held at the house of General Rathbone, to consider the excise bill drafted by Judges Arnoux and Peabody, of New-York, determined to call a mass meeting of citizens interested in temperance reform next Wednesday evening. The preliminary discussion was devoted to the Roosevelt Excise bill. Senator Oilbert stated, that unless the bill applied to the whole State, villages and all, he would oppose it in the Senate. Mr. Roosevelt is willing to incorporate this amendment, but is not decided concerning the practica" bility of the amendment restricting the number of Equoshops to one in every 500 of population.

The semi-annual meeting of the trustees of Union College will be held in this city or Tuesday afternoon. Dr. Potter has given no indication whether he means finally to resign as president of Union College and accept the presidency of Hobart or not. His friends in this city have strongly advised him to do so. The trustees, it is report ed, will consider some form of the Union College bill, superseding the State officers as ex-officio trustees with additional alumni trustees. The bill is to be amended by providing that none but graduates of five years' standing

Mayor Swinburae desires renomination this spring as a Catizen's candidate, approved by the Republicans. The Citizens' nomination is assured to him, as he is the leading power in that organization. Republican approval is uncertain, as Mayor Swinburne has not altogether pleased Republican politicians. The Democrats will nominate Robert Bryce, ex-President of the Board of Alderman.

The Board of Regents will meet next Tuesday to consider its annual report. The Bee-Owners, Vinegar Manufacturers and the Agri-cultural Society of the State have held their annual meet-

Brilliant cormans at the houses of Mrs. George S. Weaver and Mrs. William Barnes, a reception by Mrs. Joel Reed and the organ recital of Garrit Smith, of St. Peter's Church, have filled the evenings of the week. On Saturday Mrs. Luther Tauker gives a reception, and Judge Learned, of the Supreme Court, entertains at dinner the Judges of the Court of Appeals and of the United States of the Fort Orange Club to the Governor is fixed for January 29. ROCHESTER.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE-CIVIL SERVICE

IRY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

ROCHESTER, Jan. 18 .- The special committee ppointed by the Legislature to examine into the general and financial affairs of the Western House of Refuge at rived in this city last night. The committee consists of General Henry Heath, of Kings County, chairman, Isane L. Hunt, jr., of Jefferson, both Republicans, and W. Cary Ely, Democrat, of Otsego County. Mr. Ely has had considerable experience in investigations, having served on the committee and drawn up the report in the Sprague Bliss election contest last year, also on the committee which investigated the railroad encroachments at Battery Park, New-York. The committee to-day formally in spected the institution and started this evening for Scotts ille to hear the testimony of D. D. S. Brown, chairman of the Visiting Committee and the Board of Managers of the Refuge, the reports of which committee revealed such startling cruelties and incompetent management.

A committee of the Civil Service Reform Association of this city has addressed an open letter to the Mayor, Police Commissioners, Executive Board, Health Board and Board of Education, calling their attention to the State law regulating Civil Service Reform, reminding them that they have taken no beed of the law. It also asks that they accede to the requirements of the statute and work in harmony with the Reform Association to secure an efficient and honest service in the municipality The letter has excited a great deal of public interest and the reply of the Mayor is anxiously awaited.

The New-York State American Merino Sheep Breeders Association held its annual convention in this city this week. The attendance of delegates was large. Markham, of Avon, was elected president, and John P. Ray, of Hemiock Lake, secretary. The constitution and by-laws were amended. The members of the association are interested only in blooded Merino sheep and are extensively engaged in introducing this blood into Texas and Australia. A register containing the names and pedigrees of all blooded Merinos owned by members of the association is being prepared.

The Gordon dry goods establishment still remains closed, and the affairs of the bankrupt store are in a complicated condition. Many lawyers retained by creditors are busy, and no one knows what will become of the stock. The employes have all been discharged.

The trial of E. Newton Rowell, the slayer of his wife's lover, Johnson L. Lynch, of Uties, will begin at Batavia on January 21, and the trial in Rochester of John Kelly for the murder of Jacob Lutz, committed in this city, has been set down for February 4.

Denman Thompson has been playing "Joshua Whit-comb" here all the week to large audiences. He is suffer-ing from sente rheumatism, and it is with great difficulty that he has been able to act. The indicrous dance and other portions of the play requiring violent action have been omitted, and Mr. Thompson hobbies about with a limp in each leg.

The "Lights O' London" is announced for the coming

Philip H. Lehnen, the manager of the Grand Opera House in this city, of the Wicting Opera House, Syracuse, and the Academy of Music, Oswezo, has formed a partnership with 8. M. Blickey, formerly manager of the Cosmopolitan Theatre, New-York, and the two will, next season, control a chain of New-York State theatres including a new theatre to be built in Albany, the Troy theatre, the Oswezo theatre, a new theatre at Canandaigua, both Rochester theatres, the Wicting Opera House in Syracuse, and probably the Utica theatre will Join the circuit.

The marriage of Captain Bethel Moore Custer, U. S. A. and Miss Fanny Mack, daughter of Judge Vanderlip, of Dansville, was performed on Wednesday evening at St. Peter's Church, Dansville, by the Rev. A. P. Brush, of Bath. The wedding was a brilliant social affair. Lieutenant Kirby, of the 10th Infantry, U. S. A., was best man. Many guests were present from various parts of the country.

BUFFALO.

A FESTIVAL OF NATIONS-POLICE CENSUS-PERSONAL.

BUFFALO, Jan. 18 .- An extensive fair for the benefit of the German Young Men's Association is to be held at Music Hall early next month. It will have the form of a festival of nations, and the occupants of the many ooths will represent, in costume, almost every country Over three hundred adults and two nur dred children will participate. The fair will be under the management of F. A Pease, who has had a large experience in similar enterprises, and no expense will be spared to make it the most elaborate featival ever held in this

The subject of a police census of the city has been agitated of late, but the Mayor and Police Commissioners are not inclined to look favorably at it.

The first rehearsal of the festival chorus was held this week, and there is an excellent prospect of the formation of a large body of valuable singers. Over three hundred names have already been registered.

The contract for the publication of the Common Council proceedings was awarded this week to The Times, at the rate of twenty-five cents per thousand ems; and the other newspapers have been figuring ever since to see where

The report of the Park Commissioners, submitted to the Common Council this week, shows that the amount appropriated last year was \$42,300; out of which a balance of seventy-six cents is left. Large additions were made during the year to the park boat-house; and many of the adways were improved. Matthew Arnold remained in the city several days after

his lecture Saturday evening, and was the recipient of many social attentions.

TROY.

DIOCESAN CONVENTION-THE MOULDERS-APRIL FESTIVAL.

[BT TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

TROY, Jan. 18 .- Ninety-four clergymen and almost as many laymen attended the diocesan conven-tion in venerable St. Paul's Church this week. Bishop Doane presided with his usual dignity. Prominent in the convention were Dr. Hanson of St. Paul, one of the leadng authorities in the Church on Canon law, and Dr. Tucker, of fame in church music. A missionary spirit was manifest, and \$10,000 was pledged to missions this Bishop Doane warmly advocated the cathedral project, which will cost \$450,000. The edifice, which will be located at Albany, is near the Bishop's heart. The convention was enthusiastic when it requested Bishop Donne to accept the invitation of the Bishop of Edin burgh to preach the sermon at the centennial of the consecration of Bishop Scabury, the first American bishop. A cold church in zero weather helped the motion to hold the convention hereafter at a warmer season. The plan will be considered next year.

Assistant Bishop Potter, of New-York, is visiting Troy, his old home, and will be given a reception at the house of John B. Gale.

A german given last night at the house of E. Thompson

A delegation of leading townsmen has called upon the Mayor to stop the infimidation and assaults in the vicinity of the Malleable Iron Works, where non-union men are employed. The Moulders' Union keeps an organized on the street, which the Mayor was asked to disperse. The Iron company threatens to leave the city, if not protected. The Mayor promised to enforce the law The stove manufacturers have asked for a reduction of twenty per cent in the wages of the moniders before starting up. The moniders offer to concede ten per cent, which the manufacturers refuse.

Troy's grandest musical triumph in years was the Oraterio festival held by the Choral Union last spring. The society will give another on a still greater sonie, next April. Theodore Thomas's crohestra, Mrs. Osgood, Miss Winant, Mr. Toedt, Mr. Renmests and a obrus of 175 winant, Mr. Toedt, Mr. Renmests and a obrus of 175 seconds. "Elijah," and Handed's "Redemption," Mendelsonin's "Elijah," and Handed's "Te Deam." J. E. Van Olinda, organis, composer and director, is the guiding genius of the enterprise. genius of the enterprise.

"The ballet is described as being as old as the world." The ballet girl is noted for her longerity, but we had no idea that it amounted to so much as this.—

RAILROAD INTERESTS.

RAPID TRANSIT BY SPRING MOTORS. The Rapid Transit Commissioners yesterday examined a model of Joseph Jacob's "wheel guard for railway cars," which is used on the cable railway cars in Chicago. D. M. Pfautz, of Philadelphia, inventor of the spring motor proposed by the New-York Automatic Steam Motor Company, exhibited to the Commissioners a model of a street car propelled by springs. Each of the eighty springs which are placed beneath the car is controlled by lever managed by the conductor. Two treadles also are conveniently placed. By applying the foot to one of these the car is stopped. The other, similarly worked, causes points to shoot out from the wheels and take hold of the adbed. The rate of speed is regulated by a governor like that of a steam engine. These cars could be run on the same tracks, he said, that the horse-cars use. Each set of springs, consisting of ten, was coiled in a tube placed under the car. One set of springs was used at a time on a level grade, but in mounting a hill or surmounting an obstruction the entire power of the eighty springs could be applied if necessary. The car could be run, if

desired, at a speed of thirty miles an hour. A communication was received from a number of prop erty-owners on Washington Heights in favor of a cable road on One-hundred-and-fifty-fifth-st., between the low-lands at Eighth-ave, and the highlands at St. Nicholas and Tenth aves. At the former is the upper terminus of the Metropolitan Elevated Railway, and on the latter is to be built this year a cable road to High Bridge. A short railway, or spur, to convey people up the steep incline to the plateau of Washington Heights and to connect the two steam roads just mentioned, it was said, "would be of incalculable benefit to the people and property of the upper section of Manhattan Island." Among the Signers of this document were John Kelly, George B. Grinnell, E. S. Whitman, the Rev. Charles A. Stoddard, Wellington Chapp. Dr. L. A. Rodenstein, A. Whitman, Thomas C. Buck, Dr. William Frothingham, J. Romaine Brown, Dr. George F. Jackson, Edward P. Griffin, William Foster, it., Seth C. Hawley, Irving Putnam, Charles MacRae, Colonel Thomas Dunlay, P. H. Kingsland, and Hans Sommerhoff. In executive acasion A. P. Boller was appointed consulting engineer to the board. erty-owners on Washington Heights in favor of a cable

JORDAN SUCCEEDED BY HIS ASSISTANT. In the organization of the new board of the Ontario and Western Raflway Company, the former officers were re-elected with the exception of Conrad N. Jor-I. Nisbet, who has been his assistant. Mr. Jordan complained at the stockholders' meeting that he had been unerseded in effect, by one of his subordinate officers. He attempted to thrashMr. Nisbet into obedience when his assistant changed the combination on the company's safe. Mr. Jordan was defeated disastrously at the stockholders' neeting. He was not re-elected a director, and in the election of officers he was replaced by his assistant. It is understood that he has prepared an address to the tockholders, in which he demands a thorough investiga-

stockholders, in which he demands a thorough investigation of the company's affairs.

Thomas C. Clarke has resized his position as director,
and William M. Long, of Adams & Mellarg, has been
chosen in his place. Mr. Clarke's resignation is said to be
caused merely by business engagements.

The hearing of argument before Judge Wallace in the
suits for the appointment of a receiver for the company
was not had yesterday. The counsel had agreed to an
adjournment. Judge Wallace said that he was willing, if
necessary, to postpone his departure from the city to accommodate the counsel. John R. Dos Passos, appearing
for Richard H. Chipman & Co. and Conrad N. Jordan in
the two suits against the company, said that he was confident that the appointment of a receiver must be made
soon, but he was willing to wait a day or two to give the
other side an opportunity to see what could be done.

SETTLEMENT OF PASSENGER DISPUTES Notice was received by Assistant-Commisoner Pierson yesterday from the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific and the Chicago and Alton Railroads that they fully assented to his circular-letter of December 10 last as a basis for agreement with the trunk lines for the control of passenger rates. The roads also expressed their willingness to meet the trunk lines at an early date to complete any necessary details. There is one clause in the circular-letter regarding tourists' agencies to which the Rock Island could not assent, because of a contract now existing between it and one of the agencies. It is said, however, that nothing in the nature of the contract will tend to demoralize rates, and this part of the agreement will be subject to future negotiations. The other lowal lines that have been working with the pool roads have signified their assent to the basis of agreement. In consequence of this, the Commissioner vesterday instructed the trunk lines to resume the sale of the Rock Island and Alton ticket Issues, taken off on account of cutting of rates, and to restore schedule rates on next Monday. the Rock Island could not assent, because of a contract

SETTLING THE FREIGHT POOL BALANCES At a meeting of the standing committee of of the trunk lines yesterday, Commissioner Fink submitted his statement of balances due between the roads on the east-bound and west-bound pool divisions recently fixed by arbitration. They date on the west-bound pool from July 1, 1882, and on the east-bound pool from March 13, 1882. The committee considered and approved the balances, and directed Mr. Fink to make a money settle

A conference was held between Mr. Pink and President Sloan, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Rail road, with regard to arranging for the carrying out of the arbitration agreement on the west-bound percentage of the Lackawanna. Noncof the arbitrators have yet been named and they will probably not be appointed for several days. It is understood that Mr. Fink will name Charles Francis Adams, jr., as the representative of the

ACCOUNTS BETWEEN TWO COMPANIES. Ashbel Green, receiver of the North River Construction Company, which owns the buik of the capital stock of the New-York, West Shore and Buffalo Railway, yesterday asked the directors of that company to onsent to an arbitration of the accounts between the two ompanies. In accordance with this suggestion, the companies. In accountable to select three independent and disinterested persons, whose appointment should be confirmed by the board—one to be a lawyer, one an engineer and one a competent accountant—to examine and report upon the account between the railway and the construction companies.

TESTIMONY FOR MR. DINSMORE. IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

TRENTON, Jan. 18 .- The Dinsmore hearing was resumed before Mr. Oliphant this morning. Docuentary evidence in the shape of copies of twenty-seven judgments against the Philadelphia and Reading, for nearly \$200,000 in all, standing unsatisfied in the Philadelphia courts, had been put in. John Walker, jr., transfer clerk in the Philadelphia and Reading office, identified an extract from the records of his books and that was added to the documentary evidence in the case. Charles E. Smith, an ex-president of the Reading, testified to his ownership of certain bonds guaranteed by the Reading, upon which for four years interest was not paid full. He is the man whose affidavit, attached to the bill in the case, says that the Central lease will bankruptithe Reading.

The principal witness was Treasurer William G. Church, The principal witness was. Treasurer William G. Church, of the Reading. He was examined for an hour as to the securities of the Reading, their amount, rate of interest, etc. His answers were made from memorandums obtained from the printed reports of the company. The most important question he could not answer at all. Finally Mr. Robeson offered, if the counsel for Mr. Dinamore would prepare memorandum of just what information they wanted as to the matters of record in the Reading office, to see that they were furnished with a full answer in writing, in the shape of extracts from those records, which could be just in evidence. This offer was accepted, and the taking of testimony then adjourned until Tuesday.

NEW-ENGLAND ROAD, LITIGATION. Boston, Jan. 18 .- Judge Nelson, of the United States Circuit Court, to-day gave an opinion in the suit of Charles F. Mason, of Providence, adminisratof of the estate of Earl P. Mason, et al. vs. the Boston, Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad and others, overruling the pleas and defendants' demurrer. This was a bill of revivor to enforce a lien created by the States of Rhode Island and Connecticut on certain preferred srock issued by the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Road in 1854, in which it was provided that the holders of the certificates of stock could demand the par value thereof on and after April 1, 1865. This bill was filed March 23, 1882, against the New-York and New-England Railroad and others, which set up in defence, among other things, that it had expended about \$4,000,000. in the Hartford, Provi-It had expended about \$4,000,000. In the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad since the conveyance of that road to the New-York and New-England Railroad by the assignees in bankruptcy on July 28, 1875. The opinion finds that this was ione with a full understanding of the rights of the holders of stock in said road, and the provisions considered in the deed of conveyance. On March 12, 1881, in libb e Island, in a bill in equity brought by the plaintiff against the New-York and New-England to declare the conveyance of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill to that road unauthorized and void, the same was dismissed. This decision will have but little effect upon the present status of the New-York and New-England Railroad.

THE TRIPARTITE AGREEMENT. Boston, Jan. 18 .-- The conference between

be Chleago, Burlington and Quincy, and the Union Pacific Railroad directors, in relation to the tripartite agree ment, will be held in Boston on January 24.

FAILURE OF THE BANK OF PATCHOGUE. The Patchogue and Suffolk County Bank, at

Patchogue, closed its doors at noon yesterday. Great exeltement prevailed, as it was reported the depositors would lose everything. Mr. Peck, cashler of the bank, was so excited that he could give no account of the cause of the failure. To a friend he said that he had been speculating, and that a few weeks ago he felt that he must go lating, and that a few weeks ago he felt that he must go under: but he offered five per cent for ioans and thus obtained \$10,000. It was not enough to stem the tide, now-ever, and now the depositors have to suffer with him.

Patchogne village will loss \$100,000 and Sayville \$25,000. The bank was doing a large Eusiness throughout Suffolk County and it is authoritatively stated that the failure will exceed \$250,000. John Ros Smith, collector a of town taxes, losses \$21,000 of the town's money. The

next heaviest loser is George F. Carman, who had \$6,500 in the bank. Great embarasament will be felt by business men and boat men, some of whom will lose their allother failures will doubtless occur in Suffolk County during the next few days. Mr. Peck has been building a \$10,000 house, and at 11:30 a. m. yesteriay, when the mechanics were ordered to stop work, the contractor, E. Bailey, at once procured a hen on the property.

THE FIRE RECORD.

A WINTER RESORT HOTEL BURNED.

DENVER, Jan. 18 .- A correct list of the insurances on the Montezuma Hotel at Las Vegas, New Mexico, which was burned yesterday, is at present unobtainable. No one company is credited with over \$5,000, and in most cases the insurance is \$2,000. The total loss is \$250,000, and the insurance a trifle over \$100,000. The opinion is that the fire originated in the basement or under the office, which contained a gasoline apparatus. Fiames broke out from the cellar door, and fice floor. Immediately afterward flames were discovered, by an attache, creeping through the dining-room

ered, by an attache, creeping through the dining-room floor. He immediately ran to a fire-ping near the entrance to the bowling-alley, but found it frozen as were all the others in the house.

Everything now was in a state of terrible confusion. The guests, realizing the imminent danger, made efforts to reach their rooms, if possible, to save their effects. The flames, however, spread with lightning rapidity, and nearly all were forced to flee for their lives. Colonel Benton, of Wisconsin, sustained a sprained askie through a fall from the veranda. The guests lost property valued individually at from \$100 to \$5,000. Miss Philbin, the housekeeper, lost flamends valued at \$3,000, and in her wardrobe another \$1,000.

The hote building was of wood, and creeted two years ago. It will be rebuilt, it is said, of stone. No lives were lost, nor was there a single person seriously injured.

LOSSES BY THURSDAY NIGHT'S FIRE The fire which broke out in the factory building Nos. 123 and 125 West Twenty-eighth-st. late on Thursday night was put out before daylight yesterday morning, but the building was destroyed with its conte One failing wall of the factory smushed the roof of the stables at No. 127, and the stables were on fire for thort time. The losses by the fire were estimated at \$80,000, distributed as follows: Luildings, owned by the estate of Thomas H. Smith and Jacob B. Crane, \$30,000, escate of Toomas H. Smith and Jacob B. Crane, \$30,000, Insured for \$20,000; Smith & Bell, house furniture, \$15,000, insured for \$10,000; L. Heek, manufacturer of stair-rods, \$7,000, insurend for, insured for \$10,000; M. Knoedler & Co., picture-frame makers, \$5,000, insured for \$1,500; Charles A. Thorn, brass-finisher, \$5,000; Otto Koehr, cabinet maker, \$6,000; Vielen & Dirlaur, cabinet-makers, \$7,000; James Fraser, stables, \$5,000. Water caused some damage in the adjoining tenement houses, from which the occupants were kept by the police until after day-light.

A meeting of the fire insurance companies incrested in the Exchange Court fire was held yesterday he total insurance on the building was \$240,000, distributed as follows:

THE DAMAGE IN EXCHANGE COURT.

Liv'p'l&Lon'n&Globe\$50,000 Royal

Commercial Union 40,000 N. British&Mercantille 20,000

Norwich Union 20,000 Queen 20,000

Francis London 15,000 London and Lancashire 15,000

Guardian, Eng. 10,000

\$240,000 The losses and insurances in the offices in the building were slight. Insurance men estimate that the loss will be about 8 or 10 per cent of the amount of insurance.

STEEL WORKS DESTROYED.

The hammer shop connected with the steel works of Benjamin Atha & Co., in Chapel-st., Newark, was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. The loss on building and machinery is about \$10,000, covered by in-surances in English, German and American companies. LOSSES IN SEVERAL PLACES. PROVIDENCE, Jan. 18 .- The cause of the fire

in the Vaughan Building is still unexplained. The building was valued at from \$130,000 to \$140,000. The loss is \$50,000; insurance, \$60,000. The various tenants suffered losses amounting to \$18,000, with partial in-Sr. Louis, Jan. 18.-The Opera House at Washington, Kan., owned by Ed. Knowles and valued at \$20,000. was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. Insured for \$13,000. The store occupied by C. P. Little same building, was also burned, causing a loss of \$1 insurance, \$15,000.

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Jan. 18 .- Neal's paper-board mill as burned last night, together with its contents. The

loss is between \$40,00 and \$50,000; covered by in-KANKAREE, Ill., Jan 18 .- The general offices of the Indiana, Illinois and Iowa Railroad Company were burned last night, destroying all the company's papers and ac-counts. The loss outside of these was only \$1,500.

OBITHARY.

MISS SUSAN QUINCY. Boston, Jan. 18.—Eliza Susan Quincy, daugh.

ter of the late Josiah Quincy, for seventeen years president of Harvard College, died in Quincy last night, age eighty-five. She was a great-grandchild of Josiah Quincy of Revolutionary fame, and was her father's prin-cipal assistant during his long public career. GREEN ADAMS. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 18.-Ex-Congressman Green Adams, of Kentucky, who was stricken with a severe attack of heart disease on Tuesday, at the house

admiliant in this city died this afterno

ixty-eight. Mr. Adams was born in Kentucky, and rep-

sented the Eastern and Seventh Districts of his nat

State in the XXXth and XXXVIth Congresses, and was Sixth Auditor of the United States Treasury, and Pur-chasing Agent under President Lincoln. During the XLIVth, XLVth and XLVIth Congresses he was chief-cierk of the House of Representatives. He will be buried cierk of the

A BRICK ON THE SAFETY-VALVE.

A BOILER EXPLODES, KILLS FIVE MEN, AND HURTS SEVERAL OTHERS. ROCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 18 .- One of the boilrs connected with the shoe manufactory and tannery of E. G. & E. Wallace blew up this afternoon, causing the death of at least four men, and probably five, and injury to several others. The machinery was run by a 120 herse power engine with three boilers. This noon there was some trouble with the safety-valve, when the engineer, John Grimes, weighted it down with a brick and ected the middle boiler. At one o'clock, when work was begun, it was found that there was not sufficient power to drive the machinery, and orders were soon given to shut down About fifteen minutes later the ected boiler burst with a detonation that was

podles were discovered, and it was found that others had been severely intured. The killed are as follows: John Grimes, engineer, age forty; leaves a widow and

Angelo Hott, fireman, age thirty; leaves a widow and William Cleveland, an employe, age twenty-six; leaved

a widow. Louis Depré, age thirty; leaves a wife and child. The wounded are as follows: Joseph Garnier, age twenty-three, unmarried probably die; was thrown 100 feet and cut by glass

Thomas Downing, age forty; arm broken.

Joseph Davidson, age forty; ribs and arm broken.

Frank Hurd, age twenty-nine; hand and arm broken.

William Grimes, age twenty-four; badly bruised about
the body.

Thomas Hasty and Owen Hanratty, slightly injured.

Patrick Barry, age twenty-nine, is missing, and is supposed to have been killed.

when the explosion occurred the boiler penetrated the brick wall in the rear of the leather-house, passing through the base of a ninety-foot chimney. The chimney felt, burying Holtt in the ruins, from which his body was extricated. All the bodies were badly disfigured. The

tannery was partially demolished, and buildings in the vicinity were badly shaken.

The pecuniary loss to the owners of the tannery will be about \$0,000. The explosion attracted large crowds of people.

The bodies were extracted from the debris and laid out in the currying shop, and the coroner was summoned to hold an inquest. All the victims were well-known and highly respected.

It is currently reported that the bollers had been previ-ously condemned.

BUSINESS FAILURES.

PAULDING, Miss., Jan. 18 .- E. H. McKinstry & Brother, general store and drugs, have failed. They are old merchants, and have heretofore always paid to full. They are said to have lost heavily in cotton in 1880, 1881 and 1882, and a year ago their condition was not very promising, but they were thought to have recovered from their lesses. E. H. McKinstry, who was the moneyed man of the concern, was also in business on his own account at Heidelberg, Miss.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.-Kelley, Glichrist & Ca., wholesale iquor dealers, whose failure with \$40,000 of Eastern liabilities was announced Wednesday, made an assicument to-day for the benefit of their California creditors, to the exclusion of their Eastern creditors.

A PECULIAR INSURANCE AGREEMENT.

Bosron, Jan. 18 .- An interesting question of surance is pending between New-England consignees of a large quantity of cotton, soveral insurance companies, and the South Carolina and the Virginia, Tennessee and Georgia Air Line Railroad companies. Cotton to the value of about \$300,000 was recently destroyed by aus obgraph of about \$300,000 was recently destroyed by
fire while in the possession of the defendant railroad companies, on which an open policy of insurance had been issaid. By the terms of the bill of lading of the said railsaid. By the terms of the bill of lading of the said railroad companies it was stipulated that in case of loss by
for the railroad companies should have the benefit of the
first insurance, in case the loss was paid by them. The consigness deay the legality of this clause, and litigation is